

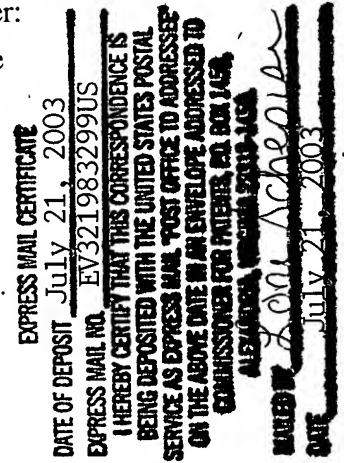
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Gao et al.		
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following Preliminary Amendment in this application under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Following the section labeled "TITLE OF THE INVENTION" and before the section "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION", insert:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional of application Ser. No. 10/228,250, filed August 26, 2002, which is a divisional of application Ser. No. 09/896,940, filed June 29, 2001, which is a divisional application of Ser. No. 09/656,698, filed September 7, 2000, which is a divisional application of Ser. No. 09/436,120, filed November 8, 1999, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/107,835, filed November 10, 1998.